

**James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson, October 22,
1790, from Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe
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James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson

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Dear Sir

I wrote you a few days past in great hurry by the Albemarle post which I presume has been recieved. You have been able to collect from that communication, that my services will be offr'd for the Senate, unless upon the information of my friends it shall appear probable they will be rejected. I gave you then a detail of circumstances relative to that business, & can only now add that as far as I know it will equally suit their present situation; unless indeed the activity of some gentn. professedly candidates for that station shod. have occasion'd a change; one additional competitor only excepted, Colo. Lee. You will observe that I only give you what I hear for I know nothing of myself. It is proposed by some to continue the present gentn. untill march. I have determin'd in great measure in case of my election to abandon my profession. You find my letters contain little foreign intelligence; that I engross the whole to myself. I may probably be up at the county court. I am with the greatest respect & esteem sincerely your friend & servant, Jas. Monroe

P.S. It is also said that Mr. Mathews the Speaker will be nominated & the chair has latterly been a step to other offices.

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